In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1, 3, 7 and 9, without prejudice.

Please amend claims 2, 4, 6, 8, 10 and 12 as follows:

1. (Canceled)

2. (Currently Amended) A tire/wheel assembly according to ~~claim 1~~ claim 4 or claim 6, wherein the elastic ring on the opposite side is smaller in rigidity than the elastic ring on the offset side corresponding to an offset amount of the rim.

3. (Canceled)

4. (Currently Amended) A tire/wheel assembly comprising:

a wheel having a disc and a rim provided on an outer peripheral edge of the disc in such a manner that a widthwise center of the rim is offset towards one side and the rim undergoes greater deflections on its offset side than on its opposite side during run-flat operation,

a pneumatic tire mounted on the rim, the pneumatic tire having a cavity; and

a run-flat support member disposed in the cavity of the pneumatic tire, the run-flat support member having an annular shell and elastic rings, the annular shell

comprising a support surface located radially outwardly thereof and two leg portions formed radially inwardly thereof in a straddling state, the support surface having a plurality of convexly curved surface sections that are widthwisely arranged, the elastic rings supporting the leg portions on the rim,

wherein one of the elastic rings located on the opposite side of the rim to the offset side is smaller in rigidity than the other of the elastic rings located on the offset side,

wherein the plurality of convexly curved surface sections of the support surface of the annular shell are equal in radius of curvature,

~~A tire/wheel assembly according to claim 3,~~ wherein further the elastic rings satisfy the following expression:

$$0.0012 \leq (G2-G1)/(G1 \times L) \leq 0.020$$

where G1 is the rigidity of the elastic ring on the opposite side, G2 is the rigidity of the elastic ring on the offset side, and L is the offset amount of the rim.

5. (Original) A tire/wheel assembly according to claim 4, wherein the elastic ring on the opposite side is 3 mm to 14 mm greater in height than the elastic ring on the offset side.

6. (Currently Amended) A tire/wheel assembly comprising:

a wheel having a disc and a rim provided on an outer peripheral edge of the disc in such a manner that a widthwise center of the rim is offset towards one side and the

rim undergoes greater deflections on its offset side than on its opposite side during run-flat operation,

a pneumatic tire mounted on the rim, the pneumatic tire having a cavity; and

a run-flat support member disposed in the cavity of the pneumatic tire, the run-flat support member having an annular shell and elastic rings, the annular shell comprising a support surface located radially outwardly thereof and two leg portions formed radially inwardly thereof in a straddling state, the support surface having a plurality of convexly curved surface sections that are widthwisely arranged, the elastic rings supporting the leg portions on the rim,

wherein one of the elastic rings located on the opposite side of the rim to the offset side is smaller in rigidity than the other of the elastic rings located on the offset side,

wherein the plurality of convexly curved surface sections of the support surface of the annular shell are equal in radius of curvature,

~~A tire/wheel assembly according to claim 3,~~ wherein further the elastic rings satisfy the following expression:

$$0.009 \leq (G2-G1)/(G1 \times M) \leq 0.125$$

where G1 is the rigidity of the elastic ring on the opposite side, G2 is the rigidity of the elastic ring on the offset side, and M is a ratio of M2/M1, M1 being a wheel-radial deflection amount at a position of a radially most inwardly located outer edge of a rim flange on the opposite side of the rim, M2 being a wheel-radial deflection

amount at a position of a radially most inwardly located outer edge of a rim flange on the offset side of the rim.

7. (Canceled)

8. (Currently Amended) A run-flat support member according to ~~claim 7~~ claim 10 or claim 12, wherein the elastic ring on the opposite side is smaller in rigidity than the elastic ring on the offset side corresponding to an offset amount of the rim.

9. (Canceled)

10. (Currently Amended) A run-flat support member to be mounted on a wheel having a disc and a rim provided on an outer peripheral edge of the disc in such a manner that a widthwise center of the rim is offset towards one side and the rim undergoes greater deflections on its offset side than on its opposite side during run-flat operation, comprising:

an annular shell having a support surface located radially outwardly thereof and two leg portions formed radially inwardly thereof in a straddling state, the support surface having a plurality of convexly curved surface sections that are widthwisely arranged; and

elastic rings for supporting the leg portions on the rim,

wherein one of the elastic rings located on the opposite side of the rim to the offset side is smaller in rigidity than the other of the elastic rings located on the offset side,

wherein the elastic ring on the opposite side is smaller in rigidity than the elastic ring on the offset side corresponding to an offset amount of the rim,

~~A run-flat support member according to claim 9,~~ wherein further the elastic rings satisfy the following expression:

$$0.0012 \leq (G2-G1)/(G1 \times L) \leq 0.020$$

where G1 is the rigidity of the elastic ring on the opposite side, G2 is the rigidity of the elastic ring on the offset side, and L is the offset amount of the rim.

11. (Original) A run-flat support member according to claim 10, wherein the elastic ring on the opposite side is 3 mm to 14 mm greater in height than the elastic ring on the offset side.

12. (Currently Amended) A run-flat support member to be mounted on a wheel having a disc and a rim provided on an outer peripheral edge of the disc in such a manner that a widthwise center of the rim is offset towards one side and the rim undergoes greater deflections on its offset side than on its opposite side during run-flat operation, comprising:

an annular shell having a support surface located radially outwardly thereof and two leg portions formed radially inwardly thereof in a straddling state, the support

surface having a plurality of convexly curved surface sections that are widthwisely arranged; and

elastic rings for supporting the leg portions on the rim,

wherein one of the elastic rings located on the opposite side of the rim to the offset side is smaller in rigidity than the other of the elastic rings located on the offset side,

wherein the elastic ring on the opposite side is smaller in rigidity than the elastic ring on the offset side corresponding to an offset amount of the rim,

~~A run-flat support member according to claim 9,~~ wherein further the elastic rings satisfy the following expression:

$$0.009 \leq (G2-G1)/(G1 \times M) \leq 0.125$$

where G1 is the rigidity of the elastic ring on the opposite side, G2 is the rigidity of the elastic ring on the offset side, and M is a ratio of M2/M1, M1 being a wheel-radial deflection amount at a position of a radially most inwardly located outer edge of a rim flange on the opposite side of the rim, M2 being a wheel-radial deflection amount at a position of a radially most inwardly located outer edge of a rim flange on the offset side of the rim.